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Schools adopt 'remedial classes', 'individualised plans', 'shadow teaching' to ensure no child is left out

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Programmes for kids with learning disability, ADHD, borderline autism

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Of late, as children with special needs are mostly left out of mainstream education, some city schools are going the extra mile to ensure they do not drop out of the system. From bringing in inclusive policies to providing remedial academic support and brushing up their social skills, these schools have created integrated learning spaces to cater to the needs of these children.

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At 94, he defines carpe diem

NS Dattatreya participated in over 100 marathons in a span of 3 decades

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NS Dattatreya's drawing room at his Banashankari Stage 1 residence is testament to his three-decade-long journey of having participated in over 100 marathons and walkathons. Medals and mementoes adorn most of the space and Dattatreya won these as part of his fitness journey after retiring from a public sector bank.

Now 94, Dattatreya retired from State Bank of Mysore in 1989. He used to take part in sports, especially football, during his school days and occasionally during Independence Day or other important days while in service. "I decided to remain active even after retiring in 1989. I began going for a walk with my friends and likeminded people for a short distance. Later, they discontinued going for a walk in the morning. Later, I began walking up to Kamakya Theatre situated 2 km away from my house. Gradually I increased the distance of walking up to 5 kms.

The nonagenarian at his Banashankari residence

My son Murali has been a great inspiration and support for me all these years," said Dattatreya.

Recently, he participated in a marathon organised by Rotary International in association with Karnataka Cancer Society on October 2 at Vidyaranyapura in Bengaluru North. He was felicitated by Rotary president Aparna Kanampalli for participating in the 10-km marathon.

Speaking at his residence on 80 Feet Road, SBM Colony, he said that he did not want to sit idle after retirement. "I actively participated in nearby temple activities. I also ensured that I go for a walk regularly. I began participating in marathons and walkathons. Participants appreciated me and it motivated me," he said.

The nonagenarian said that he won five gold medals at the 21st Asian Masters Athletic Championship in Malaysia and eight gold and one silver medal at the Karnataka State and National Masters Athletic meet. "I have to thank my son Murali for taking me to various walkathons and marathons," he said.

His daily routine begins at 5 am and concludes at 9.30 or 10 pm. "I wake up at 5 am and do my regular morning warm-ups and stretches. I also cycle at home for around half an hour. I water plants on the premises. Later, I visit a nearby temple daily. I ensure that I go to bed by 9.30 pm or 10 pm," he said with a smile.

"I want youth to focus on their fitness and realise that there is a life outside the virtual world. A few colleges invited me to deliver motivational speeches for the benefit of their students," he said, adding that he will continue participating in walkathons and marathons in future.

2 THINGS TO DO

01 Santhe for a cause

From handwoven bamboo products, baskets, decoupage work, handmade jewellery to skilled hand art on household articles, find some local crafts and recycled products by young women entrepreneurs at CSB Santhe. The proceeds from the event will go to charity organisations supported by Community Service of Bangalore.
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Now, loan recovery agents can't call at ungodly hours

RBI says agents can only ring defaulters within 7 am and 8 pm; such citizens cannot be harassed or intimidated

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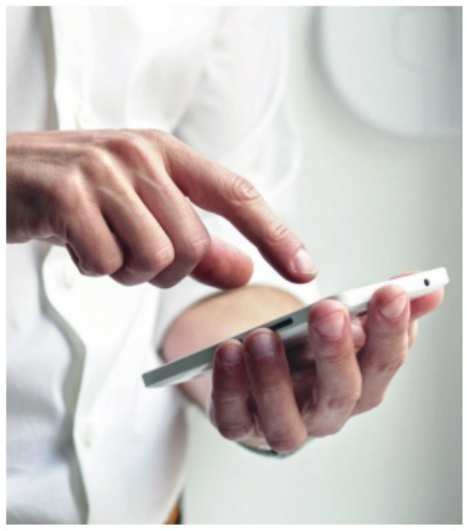
The Reserve Bank of India has announced that loan recovery agents can only call defaulters between 8 am and 7 pm, a move that comes as a relief to citizens. The circular also said that agents cannot resort to any kind of harassment.

"In view of concerns arising from the activities of these agents, it is advised that the regulated entities (REs) shall strictly ensure that they or their agents do not resort to intimidation or harassment of any kind, either verbal or physical, against any person in their debt collection efforts. There is a bar on humiliating the defaulters publicly or intruding on the privacy of the debtors' family members, referees and friends. No one should send inappropriate messages either on mobile or through social media, making threatening and/ or anonymous calls, persistently calling the borrower and/ or calling the borrower before 8:00 am and after 7:00 pm for recovery of overdue loans, making false and misleading representations, etc," said the circular.

A senior bank official said that the RBI issued the guidelines following allegations that the agents employed by REs have been deviating from the extant instructions governing the outsourcing of financial services. The guidelines will be applicable for all commercial banks (including local area banks, regional rural banks, and small finance banks) excluding payments banks, all-India financial institutions (Exim Bank, NABARD, NHB, SIDBI, and NaBFID), all non-banking financial companies including housing finance companies; all primary (urban) co-operative banks, state co-operative banks, and district central co-operative banks and all asset reconstruction companies.

Sources said that many banks were engaging local recovery agents in case of a borrower failing to pay three EMIs. Sources say that the



Loan recovery agents have often been in the news for threatening calls and messages to defaulters

banks have to do a thorough background verification -- including a police verification -- before hiring agents.

According to the Indian Institute of Banking and Finance (IIBF), a certificate course has been designed for Debt Recovery Agents (DRA) telecallers. The document states that these agents have to undergo 100/ 50 hours of training. RBI has also stipulated that banks/ NBFCs should ensure that within a period of one year, all their recovery agents should undergo the training and obtain the certificate from IIBF.

"Further, the service providers engaged by Banks / NBFCs should employ only such personnel who have undergone the training and obtained the certificate for the purpose of recovery from IIBF," said the document.

Festive spirit spoilt over tiff

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While Durga Puja celebrations were in full flow this year, a miscommunication between a bistro owner and a Bengali association marred the festive spirit for both parties.

Bistro owner, Adithi Kumar, had hoped to get more publicity by setting up a stall at VK sports, Kaggadaspura. "I was told that I would be given two 15 ampere plugs to connect my refrigerator along with other appliances to prevent the food from getting spoilt."

Upon reaching the venue, she found that there were no plugs given to her. Till evening,

> **"I incurred a loss of Rs 10,000 and had to throw away nearly 800 - 900 momos**
>
> –Adithi Kumar, bistro owner

there was no action and she decided to connect her appliances through an extension cord. However, the supply of electricity was disrupted as people were often pulling off the plug. "Nothing was done and after a point the association stopped taking my calls."

She said that she had paid the full amount for the stall in advance and had taken a membership as well.

"I had losses of Rs 10,000 and on top of that, there was a lot of wastage of food. I had to throw away almost 800 to 900 momos. We even had to refund the customers."

On the fourth day of Durga Puja, Adithi lost her cool and called all the members of Kaggadaspura Bengali Association to the basement and told them that she wanted her refund. One of the members said that she would get the complete refund back if she vacated the space immediately. "I vacated the space and then left. After many calls, one of them said that they had only agreed for 50 per cent refund."

Hemadri Ghosh, president of Kaggadaspura Bengali Association, said, "We had only agreed upon 50 per cent of the refund."

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Cops to protect cyclists, pedestrians? Super idea

...say citizens who feel walkers and cyclists are mostly at risk of suffering accidents due to vehicles flouting basic traffic regulations at busy junctions

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A debate has sparked off among citizens on the issue of cops being deployed to aid cyclists and pedestrians, especially at busy junctions in the city. This comes after former minister and Rajajinagar MLA S Suresh Kumar requested Home Minister Araga Jnanendra to deploy cops to ensure non-motorised transport gets support.

In his request, Kumar contended that a large number of people go for morning walks or jogs in the city. According to him, at busy junctions which are managed by traffic lights, there will be an option where pedestrians are allowed to cross the road. However, at those junctions where there are free left or right turns, the vehicles keep crossing the road without giving a chance for the pedestrians to cross the road.

Bengaluru's Bicycle Mayor Sathya Sankaran gave a thumbs up to the idea. "This is very essential. Cyclists have been asking for enforcement for a long time now. Without active visible enforcement, there will be no respect for the law."

A father-son duo go cycling on the streets of Bengaluru (File photo); citizens want police to man the roads at early morning hours as well

Pedestrians too are happy. Vanaja R, a regular walker, said that pedestrians are at highest risk in Bengaluru as many lose lives or become partially or fully disabled due to accidents. There are hardly any pedestrian crossings in the city. Even if we want to use the pedestrian crossing, then there is no guarantee that approaching vehicles will slow down to allow the pedestrians to cross the road. At a few places, there are skywalks, but not many skywalks are used due to flawed designs. These skywalks are definitely not disabled/senior citizen-friendly as not everyone can climb stairs to cross the roads.

> **"Cyclists have been asking for enforcement for a long time now. Without active enforcement, there will be no respect for the law**
> – Sathya Sankaran, Bicycle Mayor

She added that there was a need to install escalators and elevators in every skywalk. Though a few skywalks have this facility, the escalator/elevators are not functioning. Due to all these issues, pedestrians are forced to cross the roads by taking the risk of being hit by a speeding vehicle. "As cops are the only ones who can instil discipline on the roads, we need to have cops to ensure the pedestrians cross the road easily."

Others said that a greater number of cops had to be deployed to ensure pedestrians were safe.

Rama Murthy S, a senior citizen said, "We see pedestrians, joggers, or walkers mostly during early mornings and evenings. Though there are cops in the evenings, most of the cops are not seen on the roads in early mornings as their shifts have been devised in such a way that their presence is felt on the roads during peak hours.

However, we need cops on the roads for pedestrians during morning hours. Their presence will not only help us cross the road but also provide us security.

There is lots of chain snatching or extortions during morning walks. If we can see a lot of cops helping the non-motorised transport, the crime incidents will also comparatively come down."

Less road, more hurdle race track here

Roads in Manjunath Nagar are always either pothole-ridden or muddy after rains

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Residents of Manjunath Nagar are frustrated over the poor condition of the roads in their area. They said that despite several complaints to authorities, no action has been taken by them.

The shoddy state of the roads has reportedly been causing a lot of trouble for local businesses.

Manjunath K, who works as a tailor in the area, said that he has been living there for a very long time, and the roads have always been like this. "The roads have never been good. Because of this, my business has suffered a lot. People refuse to come here because it is a problem to bring the vehicles inside," he said.

Residents said that the roads were dug up recently to lay down a water pipe. However, it was not fixed after the work was done.

Shivam K, another shopkeeper, said, "The potholes are very dangerous in the area. It gets very difficult to commute through these roads. People can easily get into accidents, but nothing has been done to solve the problem yet."

Residents complained that the roads are often also covered with mud.

Anjum K, another resident, told Bangalore Mirror that he has not been able to take his car out because of the stretch being filled with potholes. He said he wants to avoid being caught up in an accident.

Ashok Kumar, also a resident, said, "We have tried to take our problems to the authorities many times, but no action has been taken from their end to fix it. The roads are terrible and we need immediate action."

The ill-maintained roads in Manjunath Nagar are sinking local businesses as potholes are scaring away potential customers

Locals further said that whenever it rains, the situation becomes worse. Rajeev K, another local, said that it had rained a few days back, which inevitably made the roads worse. "This happens every time it rains. The potholes get covered with water, and it gets difficult to see them as well," he informed.

A BBMP official said that they would look into the matter and try to solve the problem as soon as possible.

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Ward committee meetings do the trick

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Citizens say regularisation of ward committee meetings is gradually helping solve many civic problems and aiding in the development of wards.

With the onset of the pandemic, committee meetings had stopped, but this year meetings have picked up. The meetings are a reliable mechanism for citizen participation and collaboration with the local government, citizens said.

Satish, a resident and member of Bengaluru Navanirmana Party (BNP), gives an example of how things worked out. He had been consistently raising the issue of debris being dumped on 751m of the stretch of a road behind the forest park in HBR Layout 5th block (ward 24). He brought the matter up in three successive meetings and made sure that the authorities were listening. Satish and other homeowners persisted in following up with the relevant BBMP officials till they cleared the debris.

About the importance of ward committee meetings, he said, "While corporators, engineers, and other authorities may come and go, residents are constant, dealing with the good and the bad. They are aware of the past and are also capable of envisioning a better future. This is where ward committees make the most sense. We regularly raised the debris-dumping issue in the ward committee meetings. Many other residents who were bothered by the debris also supported us, and finally, we got it cleared."

Lalithamba, Core Working Group Member of BNP said ward committee meetings were an important channel between citizens and the local government.

Anil, a resident of Horamavu, said, "The BBMP has been effectively conducting ward committee meetings regularly. More citizens are now aware of the meeting and have been participating. Even the issues are taken up and are being solved."

After constant pressure from residents debris were removed from HBR Layout 5th block

On the cards: International cricket stadium for Mysuru

MP Simha submits request; Chief Minister assures matter will be taken up

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An Indian journey

In a country as vast and singularly diverse as India, there is only so much advertising, public relations, paid social/media and 'cash for votes' can do for a political outfit before the whole thing comes crashing down — can we bear the weight of the crumbling facade then?

The buck stops at a few critically topical questions — are politicians accessible to the citizen? Can they tackle the malaise of unemployment, rising prices, income inequality, the constant bullying of the weak, vulnerable minorities alongside the methodical fear/hate-mongering?

Whether the mainstream press, especially the hysteric broadcast networks, acknowledges the emerging gravitas of Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra or not, or factually presents to audiences the political challenge posed by this massive public outreach programme to the incumbents or not, by not covering the Yatra in earnest, they are doing a disservice.

The social media buzz the Yatra has created with daily defining images/videos of this country's rightful citizens are rare traditional-to-digital media moments of Indian politics, not vice versa as the digital divide keeps widening between the elected representative and electorate in a quid-quo-pro of big tech and the powers that be where the citizen is rendered hopeless.

However, the hitherto dormant sleepy villages and small towns the Yatra traverses through come alive when eager nondescript nobodies that make up the soul of this geography line up to get a glimpse of an accessible politician and perhaps walk alongside — the stress here is squarely on the 'accessible politician'.

The scene is reminiscent of an impoverished India, away from the urban humdrum, seeking solace in the togetherness of its collective conscience during times of penury and not of the alienated souls left to fend for themselves on the wayside. It imbues a graceful soft power, if you will, than the smear campaigns of a fell social media cell.

Perhaps that is why the toxic 'forever-chemical' of social media diatribe is seemingly standing by for now, dumfounded, and clueless of how to counter the ripples of this organic political campaign from the opposition after a long gap, as old dirty tricks in the book of lampooning fall short.

This social media cell — that often goes berserk every time an opposition politician or party raises issues — keeps sliding to lower depths. We saw what transpired when an image of Rahul Gandhi with his niece was circulated with solely male fide if not criminal intent.

A quest on foot through the length and breadth of India is an ever resonant exercise for any Indian, any time — more so if undertaken by a politician now that democracy is being hollowed out in broad daylight.

Chinese, Arab and European travellers undertook such grand journeys here centuries ago, so that we understand the India of the middle ages and beyond through their journals now. The Bharat Jodo Yatra is a 'masterstroke', at a time when necessary political rhetoric is replaced by cowardice and lack of accountability in governance. It is as real as political outreach can get. The reasons are manifold from a societal perspective.

This journey through the heart of the subcontinent could certainly prove epoch-making for India's future and a game changer for the political prospects of the grand old party apparently 'in ruins' according to many comfy commentators who are now busy dissecting the Congress' organisational structure as the process of electing a new president gets underway.

In fact, what is gradually emerging into plain view is the coming of age of a much denigrated politician. The Yatra has put Rahul Gandhi on firmer ground. You see, all journeys are transformative. I believe even reading about great journeys is a transformative experience. Great souls as the Mahatma himself highly recommended journeying on foot.

The disdain and disrespect of the mainstream press notwithstanding, not only is Rahul Gandhi journeying through the heart of India discovering the subtleties of the social fabric himself once again but helping hapless citizens rediscover India's forgotten soul as he brings with him a sense of belonging, unity and the message of compassion nevertheless, while slaying the spectre of hatred with considerable ease in that occasional warm embrace or a speech in torrential downpour, in his effort to salvage a nation known for tolerance, compassion and syncretism, now on the brink.

What is also becoming clear and stark is the growing distance between the alienating stance of the current dispensation and the electorate against the warm and compassionate demeanour of a sure-footed politician as the journey gathers inspiration and marches on.

Shortcomings notwithstanding, the Yatra is definitely a sigh of relief from the recent garlanding of convicted rapists, a young woman killed for her unwillingness to be forced towards prostitution, youths puportedly beaten up in public by police and innocents forced to toe the line and live in fear and alienation in their own motherland.

Will you go by the meter?

If autos pulled out of aggregator platforms, who will ensure auto drivers follow fare and travel norms, ask commuters

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Erratic bus connectivity and the recent ban on autos on aggregator platforms has left commuters at the mercy of auto drivers in terms of arbitrary fares and refusal to ply to some areas. Commuters are now demanding that the transport office ensure that auto drivers use meters and charge only prescribed fares.

Citizens said that while cab aggregator platforms may have increased fares, they operated on a fair fee structure. Pulling the plug on this service is expected to hit citizens relying on auto services for last mile connectivity on a daily basis.

Vyshakh Shaji of Rajashree Layout, Munnekollal, said that as a regular user of autos, this will impact him severely. "Services on aggregator platforms remain reliable and provide a fair sense of fare division. Even with surge pricing, the fares are lower as compared to union autos. If auto services are going to be unreliable, more may shift to private transport and that can increase pollution and traffic," he added.

Shaji gave an example of the time he had to take his neighbour to the hospital. "To go to the hospital in HAL, I looked into the aggregator platform, and it showed around Rs 120 and the auto drivers plying adjacent to the bus stop were charging Rs 250," he said.

Abhilash from OMBR Layout uses autos to get to the metro station. "Currently, there are no feeder buses to reach metro stations. I mostly have to rely on autos. Autos on aggregator platforms are also a convenient solution for senior citizens," he said.

Many in city depend on autos for last-mile connectivity

> **"Aggregator platform services are reliable and provide a fair sense of fare division. Even with surge pricing, the fares are lower than union autos**
>
> –Vyshakh Shaji, Munnekollal resident

He said that if the government insists on banning autos from aggregator platforms, they should strictly ask auto drivers to charge by the meter. "Ninety percent of the drivers don't ply with meters. Citizens at least need a standardised fare rate system to be followed by all auto drivers," said Sunil Achar, a resident of Koramangala.

Achar suggested a helpline for commuters to raise grievances against non-complying auto drivers. While the prescribed rates for fare per km may be lower, the actual rates are much higher, noted commuters. "Autos plying on the area east of ORR do not use meters. Ola and Uber are popular as they are reliable. In addition, the driver and vehicle details are available in the app, enhancing security," said Pravir Bagrodia, a resident of Whitefield.

He added that the transport department can find a win-win situation by permitting aggregators to operate but capping the price.

Meanwhile, the auto associations also want citizens to be assured that they would instruct auto drivers to ply with the meter. Tanveer Pasha, the president of Ola, Uber drivers and owners' association told BM, "We will be instructing our drivers to follow all prescribed rules including plying with the meter. We have been working with meters for years now and should provide proper services to the public."

Industry crushed by power play

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Trade and industry bodies of Karnataka have opposed the proposed hike in power tariff, the third hike in this year. Recently, the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC) accepted the application of Bengaluru Electricity Supply Company (Bescom) to collect 43 paise per unit from October as fuel cost adjustment charges (FAC).

Federation of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industries president BV Gopal Reddy said that this would end up as a burden for the industry. Reddy said that though they understand that the Commission's order on FAC is in discharge of Section 62 (4) of the Electricity Act, they would request the State Government to reduce the Electricity Tax to 4% from the existing 9%.

"Micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) use only 2,022 million units constituting 3.27% of the total consumption of power and HT consumes 8,037 MU constituting 13% of power thereby with a total usage of 16.30% for the Industries," he said.

Power tariff has been hiked for the third time this year

He said the state government's intervention will be of great help to the 5.35 lakh MSME units employing about 40 lakh persons in the state. "Earlier, the state government gave 50 paise concessions to small and medium industries. But, this concession has been taken away by the first fuel adjustment tariff hike and subsequently by the second fuel adjustment tariff hike," he said.

Karnataka Small Scale Industries Association (Kassia) president KN Narasimha Murthy called the hike most unfortunate, keeping in mind that the medium and small enterprises are going through much distress due to multiple issues. "First, we had an economic slowdown. Then came the covid-19 pandemic. This was followed by the Ukraine war and its fall-out in the form of domestic inflation and fears of a global recession. Despite so many problems, the state government through the KERC chose to increase the power tariff and that too for the third time this year," he said.

The state government must defer all hikes until the situation becomes normal at least for micro and small scale industries, he said.

Bruhat Bengaluru Hotels Association president PC Rao said the hike would adversely hit the hotel industry. He demanded that the Bescom take measures to collect dues from the state and Central Government entities instead. "We have already written to the state government to defer the hike till April next year and reduce the Electricity Tax to 4%," said Rao.

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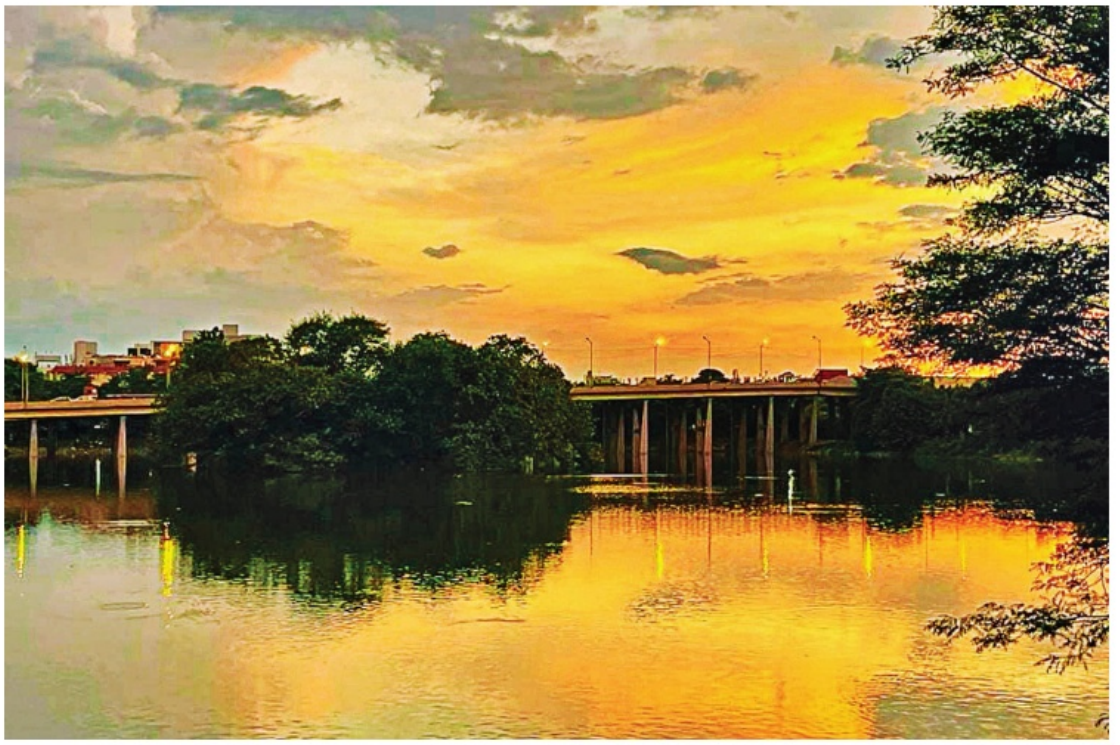

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Spot a half-done flyover, just dump debris under it

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Space to walk comes at a premium for pedestrians under Ejipura flyover thanks to piles of debris and garbage

The space under the Ejipura flyover can often be mistaken for a garbage dump nowadays due to the mounting piles of debris that remains uncleared for several days in a row. Despite complaints, no action is taken by the authorities.

Space for walking is at a premium due to this and many fear that they are often prone to acccidents, especially senior citizens and kids. Nearby residents say that the area was also visited by the MLA who had given instructions to authorities to clean it. However, the clean-up act is yet to take place.

Rohith K, a commuter, said, "I have been seeing this mess for a very long time and it has not been attended to by the authorities. It spoils the look of the place."

Ashok Singhal, another commuter, added that for pedestrians, space becomes even more of a luxury thanks to the debris which eats into their path."

The residents suggested that the space under the flyover could instead be given a new look by planting trees and grass.

Apran C, a Bengalurean staying in the area, said a makeover would go a long way in making the neighbourhood aesthetically beautiful.

"I think the space under the flyover can be used in a more productive way instead of being used as a dumpyard. The authorities can plant trees or grass. Moreover, such plants will not need any extra maintenance at all," he said.

Some of the residents also said that seeing the debris, people are often encouraged to throw garbage into the area as well.

Aravind Gopalan, another regular commuter, said, "People will feel that since the place is already dirty, it is all right to throw garbage there. I have seen that happening so many times. Often when I commute, I see people throwing plastic bottles or other waste and when asked, they retaliate that it is already dirty."

The commuters have said that if no action is taken soon, the area will fully resemble a garbage dump.

A BBMP official said that they were planning to start the work soon in the area.

DID YOU KNOW?

Bengaluru may be changing rapidly and while some say the city is almost unrecognisable from the good old days, there are still some bits of history that remain untouched.
One of these is the Chokkanathaswamy temple at Domlur, whose earliest inscriptions date back to the 10th century AD. Touted to be the oldest temple in the city, it was originally built by Raja Raja Chola I, and later renovated by the Hoysalas and Vijayanagara rulers. It is dedicated to the deity known as Chokkanathaswamy or Chokka Perumal (the Hindu god Vishnu). The temple has numerous Kannada and Tamil inscriptions.
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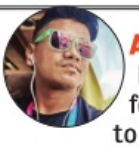
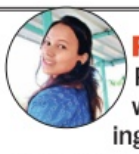
What has been your best memory of this year's Navaratri/ Dasara festivities?

Nikhat K, BM Reader
After one year, I came to visit my college best friend in Bengaluru, traveling far from Kolkata. I created memories with her, went pandal-hopping, dinner dates, and had lots of late-night conversations.



Arpan Chettri, BM Reader
My Dasara was awesome; I got a few days' holiday from work. I got to party with my friends, hang out, go pandal-hopping and spend time with my family.



Richa Sharma, BM Reader
Pandal-hopping till late at night with friends and family while tasting the delicacies of the city and experiencing the whole Navaratri vibe has been the best memory so far for me.

Srijith Bose, BM Reader
This Navaratri has been wonderful. I went out with friends and family to see all the wonderful pandals. Even my friends from different places came to surprise me which was the best bit.

Aritra Bhattacharya, Student
This Dasara, my best memory was when my parents came to visit me. I was able to show them how festivities are done in the city and I also took them to all the good eateries.

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On the cards: International cricket stadium for Mysuru

MP Simha submits request; CM assures matter will be taken up

Historical city Mysuru will soon get an international-level cricket stadium as Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai assured of sanctioning the stadium's land.

He approved sanctioning 19-20 acres of land in Hanchya-Sathagalli 'B' Layout for building an international-level cricket stadium in Mysuru.

MP Pratap Simha submitted a request to which the CM responded positively and assured that the matter would be placed on the cabinet.

Karnataka State Cricket Association earlier requested the Mysore Urban Development Authority to sanction the land.

The request made by KSCA is also mentioned in the application submitted to the CM. As per the proposal submitted by the Urban Development Authority, it was requested to replace 2.20 acres of land in survey 106 in Sathagalli village with the CA site of 16,000 sq m which is nearby to the proposed international-level cricket stadium.

After Dasara: Tuskers leave as festivities come to an end, on Friday

Mysuru flooded with tourists

The grand Dasara festival attracted a huge crowd to Mysuru this year.

The tourists arrived in Mysuru planning to take a tour of the city. Due to this, not only in Mysuru, Nagarahole, Bandipur Tiger Reserves also found a huge crowd visiting. Jungle lodges and resorts were packed with tourists. Tourists also visited KRS backwaters and Brindavan Gardens.

With the government easing the restrictions, the tourism industry got a good boost with swarms of tourists visiting the city. Zoo Authority Chairman Shivakumar told Bangalore Mirror, "Mysore Zoo was flooded with tourists during Dasara. There were tourists from different districts and states too."

Immediately after Dasara festivities, tourists rushed to Chamundi hills to offer prayers to the goddess Chamundeshwari. Devotees had to wait in huge queues to take the Darshan of the goddess.

> **"80% of tourists stayed in Mysuru even after the Dasara festivities. Only 20% left their respective places. The bookings are up to Sunday**
>
> C Narayanagowda, District Hotel Owners Association President

As the Dasara lighting continues for ten more days, more tourists are expected in the coming weeks too.

District Hotel Owners Association President C Narayanagowda said, "80% of tourists stayed in Mysuru even after the Dasara festivities. Only 20% left their respective places. The bookings are up to Sunday. This Dasara helped tourism to recover."

On Vijayadasami, 36,420 tourists visited Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens and Rs 35,92,160 was collected. On Ayudha Pooja day 23,350 people visited the Zoo and Rs 23.16 lakh in revenue was collected.

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Meeting on Oct 9 to save Hesaraghatta

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Activists have decided to take the Hesaraghatta campaign one step further and have organised a gathering on October 9 to demand that the grassland be declared as Greater Hesaraghatta Grasslands Conservation Reserve.

Hundreds of volunteers and activists are expected to join the meeting that will be held at Cubbon Park.

"We want to request the Chief Minister to declare the entire area of Hesaraghatta grasslands, scrublands and wetlands as Greater Hesaraghatta Grasslands Conservation Reserve. We cannot let this lung space be turned into a concrete jungle. It should be saved at all costs," said a prominent city-based environmentalist who has been leading the campaign.

Earlier in 2021, the Karnataka State Board for Wildlife rejected the proposal to declare it as Conservation Reserve. However, the Karnataka High Court later directed the board to once again consider the proposal.

"The government is supposed to declare it as a reserve, however, the delay in this decision is making us nervous. People living in the area are being misguided that the grassland will be converted into forest land if it is declared a reserve. We are trying to collect all the data and research details and educate the locals about the importance of the grassland," said Chandan M, a resident of the area and a volunteer supporting the cause.

Interestingly, the board under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai was to meet on September 5 to decide whether the matter. However, the meeting was cancelled at the last minute. While the activists and environmentalists are waiting for the next date, they are only met with stoic silence.

According to Vijay Nishant, founder of Project Vruksha, Hesaraghatta is the last remaining grassland habitat of Bengaluru, which also acts as the lifeline of farmers living in the vicinity.

"It is the catchment area for Bengaluru and is teeming with biodiversity. It is one of the unique grassland ecosystems for cattle and farmers. We always talk about trees in Bengaluru. But grassland ecosystems are equally important. It is yet another lung space for the city," said Nishant. Ecologists say the 5,010 acres of Hesaraghatta lakebed and its surrounding scrub forest and grassland are critical to the water security of Bengaluru.

"The grassland can sustain water for those living in that catchment area, as well as for the city. Grasslands help in recharging the groundwater. Around 50-60% of the rainwater can be infiltrated due to this swath of land. Thus, it has to be conserved without diluting any norms," said Dr TV Ramachandra, Centre for Ecological Science, Indian Institute of Science (IISc).

B'luru gets 100 EV buses

In another eco-friendly move, BMTC has added 100 EV buses to its fleet but the operations have not been started yet. Routes will be assigned once depots are ready.

Minister of Heavy Industries, Dr Mahendra Nath Pandey on Friday virtually inaugurated 100 Switch EV 12 buses under the FAME II scheme and flagged them off from the Yelahanka bus depot.

The buses will be added to the existing 75 buses. They have been granted Rs 55 lakh from the Centre and Rs 33.33 lakh from state.

Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) Director (IT) AV Surya Sen told Bangalore Mirror, "The operations have not yet started. We will increase operations from 75 to 125 by end of this week,"

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Property boom incoming at Mysuru Road

Developers are offering luxury properties at affordable rates in and around the area

Karnataka's capital Bengaluru and heritage city Mysuru are 'coming closer'. Once the Bengaluru-Mysuru Road work is complete, the travel time between the two cities will reduce to 75 minutes. Currently, more than half of the road work is complete, already reducing travel time to 2.5 hours. The 10-laning of the road has also resulted in many people buying property there.

Developers are offering luxury properties at affordable rates, and buyers have a lot to choose from. A host of amenities are being offered, including RERA approved properties. Land parcels of different sizes and for different budget options are up for grabs. New landmarks are being added with high-rise buildings dotting the landscape. Many properties have green surroundings, which have turned out to be the biggest selling point.

Property developers say that the construction of the second longest flyover near Kumbalgodu has brought the outskirts closer. The flyover is currently open to traffic from Bengaluru towards the Bidadi side. Traffic will soon be allowed from the other direction as well. The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has also proposed to construct a flyover near RR Nagar. This flyover will decongest Mysuru Road further. Namma Metro will add Challaghatta to the speed rail network from next year, which will allow commuters to take a metro from different parts of the city to the outskirts of Mysuru Road easily.

Besides this, Mysuru Road will be completely fenced and will get a helipad. VIPs can take choppers from Bengaluru or Mysuru and land at Ramnagar. The first phase of the works that involve six-laning of road from NICE Road junction (near Kengeri) to Nidaghatta has almost been completed. The second phase of the works from Nidaghatta to Mysuru Ring Road is 85 per cent complete and set to be finished by early 2023. The cost of the first phase is Rs 3,501 crore, and the second phase, Rs 2,920 crore.

This project will have five bypasses to avoid congestion at towns along the highway. The Bidadi bypass will be 6.9 km in length, Ramanagara-Channapatna 22.35 km, Maddur 4.5 km, Mandya 10 km, and Srirangapatna 8 km. There will also be an eight-km-long corridor with nine major bridges, 44 minor bridges, and four railway overpasses. The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) authorities claim that once the road is complete, it will be a 75-minute drive from the start to finish of the highway as against three plus hours currently. A new lay-bye with amenities will be created at Ramanagar bypass road. Toll booths will come up at Kumbalgodu and Srirangapatna.

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New launches on the rise in city

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According to the Market Beat Bengaluru Residential Q2 2022 report by Cushman and Wakefield, Bengaluru has seen a jump in launches in Q2 2022 as compared to Q1 2022. Giving homebuyers in Bengaluru more options to pick from.

Santosh Bhurani, an assets advisor in the city with decades of experience, says, "The launches are slowly increasing and that is allowing homebuyers multiple choices as compared to a situation where there are limited launches with few choices, which further forces people to book a home with not much option if they are in a hurry.

The Bengaluru market has only been on the rise since last year, and the fact is that the IT sector, which provides maximum employment in the city, is one of the major reasons the city has seen heavy purchasing, even at the end of 2020."

According to the report, Q2 2022 witnessed the launch of 9,860 residential units, a 12 per cent increase over previous quarter, taking the total supply during H1 2022 to 18,690 units. This is a 2.7 times jump as compared to the same period in 2021.

The lion's share of the 12 per cent increase comes from the southern and the eastern sub-markets of the city.

These areas are known to house most of the city's IT-crowd and are known to have the highest buying power. The report states, 'south-eastern and eastern sub-markets, the major IT corridors of the city, accounted for 38 per cent share in quarterly launches with quite a few projects being announced at locations such as Panathur, Sarjapur Road, Varthur, and Whitefield. These sub-markets are expected to record higher unit launches, supported by healthy demand and sales activity.

Far south sub-market, which has been witnessing low unit launches during the pandemic and even during last couple of quarters, has seen a significant rise in launches this quarter with peripheral locations such as Attibele, Anekal, and Chandapura contributing a 24 per cent share in Q2 launches.'

NAREDCO national vice-chairman Niranjan Hiranandani reflects that developers have tried to keep this very buying category in mind and designed launches accordingly. Hiranandani says, "Bengaluru is one of the fastest growing IT cities witnessing rapid urban migration with tech and expat corridors on the rise.

City developers have been reorienting their project developments in accordance with the futuristic needs of potential homebuyers, which comprise gated township living that offers safety, security, and sustainability overall.

Also, the spur of development in Bengaluru is on the lines of smart city concept consisting of well-planned civic infrastructure and quality social fabric that enables the emerging home buyers for better quality of life. Thus, the Garden City will retain its sobriquet, as planned development brings back environment-friendly measures to the city."

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HC asks Xiaomi to furnish bank guarantee to operate seized bank accounts

In a setback to Xiaomi, one of the largest manufacturers of smartphones in the world, the Karnataka High Court has ordered it to furnish bank guarantee to operate its bank accounts in the country.

The Xiaomi Technology India Private Limited Company sought an interim order on seizure of Rs 5,551.27 crore by the Indian authorities for allegedly transferring funds outside India by violating the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA).

Taking up the petition by Xiaomi against the authorities, Justice N.S. Sanjay Gowda on Thursday stated that an interim order could only be given if the company gives bank guarantees for Rs 5,551.27 crore seized amount. The company had challenged the order passed by the competent authority under FEMA confirming the seizure order of the said amount. The seizure order was issued by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) on April 29.

Senior advocate Uday Holla representing Xiaomi submitted that there was no application of mind while confirming the seizure order of Rs 5,551.27 crore by the competent authorities. He had also brought to the notice of the court about the company questioning the constitutional validity of Section 37-A of FEMA, while challenging the order of seizure.

MB Naragund, Additional Solicitor General of India representing the prosecution, submitted that the company through misrepresenting the earlier High Court order had allegedly made withdrawals from the seized amount. He added that only Rs 3,900 crore is available against Rs 5,551 crore seized as on October 4. **IANS**

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Schools turn special for special kids

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goals. We currently have around 22 special children in our school," said Mahalakshmi R, counselor, Airforce School, Hebbal.

While some schools have woken up to shadow facilities, a handful have resorted to remedial classes to ensure an inclusive environment. To ensure that children with ADHD (attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder) find it easier to cope, some have come up with a special shadow facility.

"We bring in mothers as shadow teachers. They accompany their children inside the classrooms and guide them through the day. However, we gradually wean them off this support. The school also has an early intervention programme for the kindergarten and an extended curricular support for older kids. We help children with learning disabilities by devising academic strategies," said Dr Preethi Mathur, head of the department of counselling and special education at Delhi Public School, North.

Although it is not uncommon for children to struggle with making friends, special children run the risk of being outcast amongst their peers. Schools said supporting children of all abilities is their ultimate goal.

"We have remedial classes for children with special needs. We work on the strengths and weaknesses of these children during these sessions and try to improve their social skills. Having said that, we try to limit the intake as we also need to ensure that they perform and cope with the pressure of academics. The school currently has around ten children with special needs," said Asha Tilak, chairperson, North Hills International School.

Special educators, occupational therapists, and infrastructural support are some other methods being adopted to make campuses inclusive for children with learning difficulties, ADHD and borderline autism.

"We have children in higher grades who have come a long way and are doing well on their own. There are a few with muscular dystrophy. We have ensured infrastructural support to these kids," added Dr Mathur.

Experts BM spoke to said mainstream schools can create an inclusive environment by adopting a top-down approach.

"A teacher may be very passionate about providing support to special kids, but unless there is support from the management and other teachers, creating an inclusive environment becomes difficult. The vision of inclusivity should trickle down from the principal of the school to all the teachers for truly inclusive campuses," said Swathi Vellal, founder and director, Ishanya India Foundation, a school for children with special needs.

All problems solved

Dear Coleen

I've really messed up my relationship and need some advice. Recently, I found my sister's mobile number in my fiance's phone. Over the years, I've heard various rumours about my sister, so I instantly assumed my fiance was going behind my back and sleeping with her. When I asked him, it turned out there was a completely innocent explanation but, unfortunately, out of anger, I'd already told my fiance I'd slept with his brother. I didn't actually do it, and when he asked his brother if anything had happened between us, his brother obviously confirmed that I'd done nothing wrong. My fiance believes me and still wants to marry me, but I feel so upset.

COLEEN SAYS

You sound incredibly insecure. I think you need to work out whether that insecurity is coming from you or if it's because, deep down, you have doubts about whether you can really trust your fiance. I think once there's doubt there, even if it turns out that nothing happened, it can change how you feel and make it harder to trust going forward. However, he's saying he wants to marry you and if that's what you want, too, then you have to start focusing on communicating more honestly.

Tell him you're worried this has damaged your relationship and find out how he feels – maybe you need some more reassurance.

You also need to think about how you react to things.

I understand you were trying to hurt your fiance by lying about sleeping with his brother, but once things are said, it's hard to take them back and you can't keep recovering from it.

You don't mention if or how you resolved things with your sister, but it sounds as if that relationship could do with some work too.

—Coleen Nolan, Daily Mirror

Flashbacks from food

Study reveals how smell of food can enable 'time travel', researchers say it has relevance to dementia

Older people exposed to food flavours from their youth were able to 'time travel' back to the past with an enhanced memory of the event. For food memory, the researchers worked with the participants to create bespoke flavour-based cues for each one. The 3D printed flavour-based cues are small edible balls, modelling the original food. A striking outcome was the large number of memories cued by flavours recalled with strong feelings of being brought back in time.

The research entitled 'It took me back 25 years in one bound: self-generated flavour-based cues for self-defining memories in later life' published in Human Computer Interaction is by Professor Corina Sas of Lancaster University, Dr Tom Gayler, formerly of Lancaster University, and Vaiva Kalnikaite of Dovetailed Ltd. Their work explored the feasibility of 3D printed flavour-based cues for the recall of memories in old age.

Working with 12 older adults, they collected 72 memories, half involving food and half not involving food, each recalled twice. This ranged from barbecued mackerel at a golden wedding to eating strawberries in hospital after giving birth.

> **All participants were able to provide rich sensory accounts when prompted by flavour-based cues, with most details not being present in the earlier free recall**

For food memory, the researchers worked with the participants to create bespoke flavour-based cues for each one. The 3D printed flavour-based cues are small, gel-like, edible balls, modelling the original food, which are easier to swallow with more intense flavours, without requiring all the ingredients and preparation.

Professor Sas said, "Our outcomes indicated that personalised 3D printed flavour-based cues have rich sensorial and emotional qualities supporting strong recollective retrieval, especially when they distinctively match the food in the original experience and prompt emotionally positive self-defining memories."

All the participants were able to provide rich sensory accounts when prompted by flavour-based cues, with most of the details not being present in the earlier free recall.

Remembering a Green Thai curry dinner in Cambodia, one participant remembered: "We went into the kitchen area, which was very basic and preparing all sorts of types of green vegetables, which I have no idea what they were, sitting on the floor. And then we would help cook them, stir fry them, and then we would help dish them up."

But after being exposed to the 3D printed flavour-based cue of the Green Thai curry, the participant gave a more detailed memory of "the chopping noises of cutting up the vegetables, me sitting on the floor cross legged with my friend, chatting together. And then when we went out, put stuff on the tables, the rest of the group coming out and we sit on long tables outside, the front of the school, so it's outside in the open air to eat."

A striking outcome was the large number of memories cued by flavours that were recalled with strong feelings of being brought back in time.

Another participant said, "The roast beef and horseradish cue took me back 25 years in one bound. I could place myself at the table in the room. I ate that, and that actually provoked out of all the memories, quite a strong reaction actually. Just suddenly I was back."

Interestingly, the mere act of eating the cue was seen as a bodily re-enactment of the original event. "It just kind of triggers a few more sensations. Perhaps when you're tasting it, you imagine yourself there," a participant explained.

The researchers say their research has particular relevance for dementia. Participants talked about the importance of food memories based on their own experiences of caring for their loved ones.

One participant, whose mother has Alzheimer's, said, "As soon as she smelled and tasted the food, she would say something like, 'Oh, this is like old fashioned food. This takes me back'. She felt that it was something that she had had a long time ago."

Another participant suggested a scrapbook of food memories to trigger recollections of past events in people with dementia.

Sas said, "The 3D printed flavours cued recollective retrieval, eliciting sensorially rich and strong positive emotional experiences that participants deeply enjoyed."

Gayler said, "Working alongside people to create flavour-based cues highlighted how powerful but under-used this connection is. Our design approach helped bridge this gap and showed the potential for future applications to create rich, multi-sensory memory aides."

Kalnikait was overjoyed about finally having a technology that can help reconstruct memories using the flavour and scent of different foods in very compact shapes. "These are the strongest cues to help us remember," they added.

-ANI

MIRRORLIGHTS

Anxious during pregnancy? Read up

Women who experience anxiety during pregnancy may give birth earlier compared to those who don't, according to a study. The research, published recently in the journal Health Psychology, could help doctors understand when and how best to screen for anxiety during pregnancy to help prevent pre-term birth. Previous research has found that up to one in four pregnant women has clinically elevated anxiety symptoms and that anxiety can be a risk factor for pre-term birth, or birth before 37 weeks of pregnancy. The researchers found that pregnancy-related anxiety in the third trimester was most strongly associated with earlier births. However, general anxiety in the first trimester also contributed to risk for early birth, they said. -PTI

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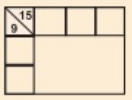
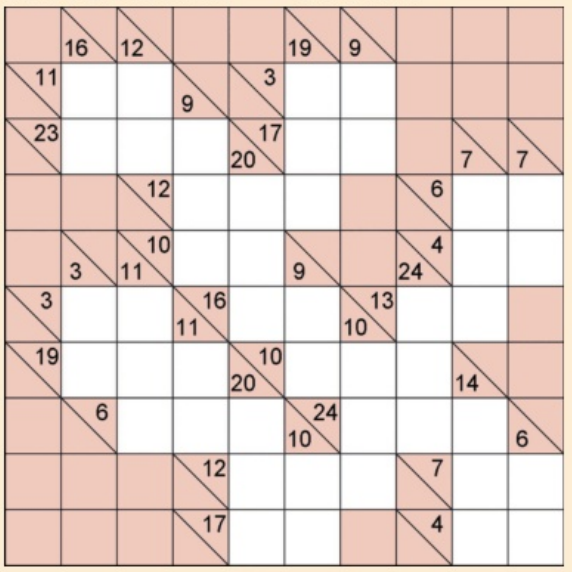


The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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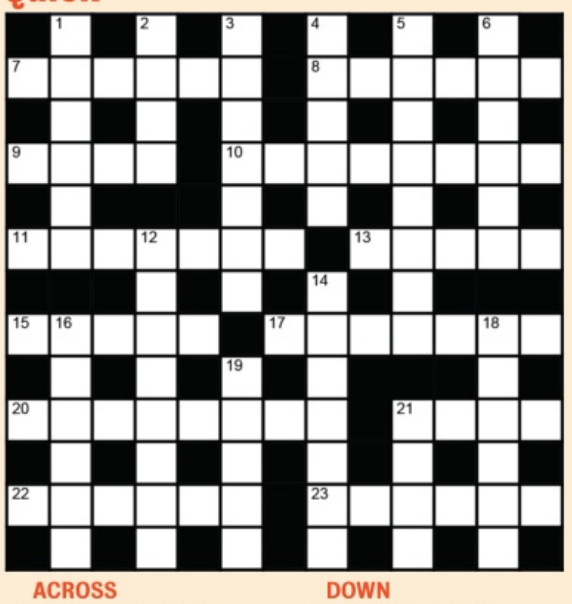


ACROSS

7 Four-sided figure (6)
8 Swelling or temperature controller? (3-3)
9 Irish clan (4)
10 Dilettantes (8)
11 Clever, proficient or artistic (7)
13 Force out (5)
15 Door fastener (5)
17 Break up, separate forcibly (7)
20 Al fresco bar at the Oberoi (4,4)
21 Has (4)
22 Sherlock Holmes' sidekick (6)
23 Arrested colloquially (6)

DOWN

1 Narrow escape (6)
2 Sharp-tasting (4)
3 Reduced in value (7)
4 Clergyman (5)
5 Home theatre system component (8)
6 Cloth (6)
12 Cor seals anagram for a ball game (8)
14 Decorative coloured bands (7)
16 Unprincipled (6)
18 Made a play on words (6)
19 Hold on to (5)
21 An expression of pain (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: O EQUALS U

LJJ VQO RZZP DY FNZ WJLR, FNZ UQLP BLW, LRP FNZ XQOULMZ FQ WUZYY QR FQ VQOU PZYFDRLFDQR.

Linemaro

Are you a parking ticket?
Because you've got fine written all over you

Mindchow

The only real mistake is the one from which we learn nothing

Joke of the day

The hardest thing in the world to understand is income taxes

Loop

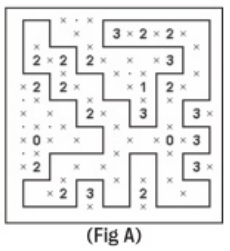
Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

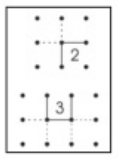
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

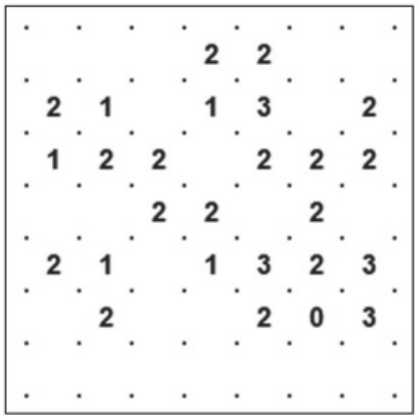
Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



(Fig A)



(Fig B) Not Allowed



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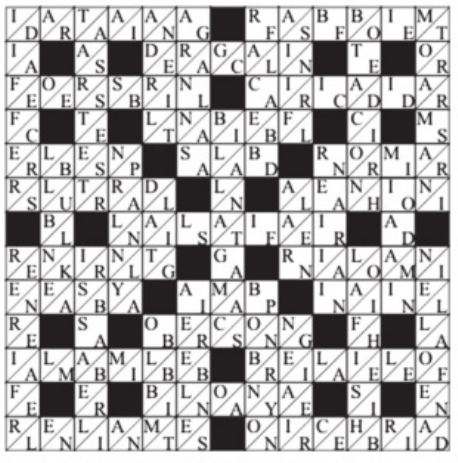
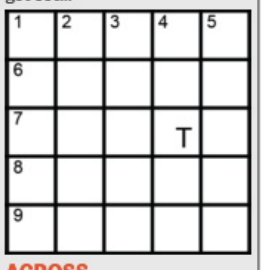


This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

1 As apt; 6 Ulnar;
7 A true; 8 I'm FAA;
9 Lubes

DOWN

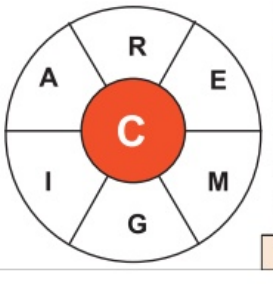
1 LM pub; 2 Laura;
3 Fauns; 4 Eat it;
5 As are

Mensapuzzle

What number should replace the question mark?

1, 3, 4, 7, 11, 18, 29, ?

Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

15 Average; 17 Good; 19 Outstanding

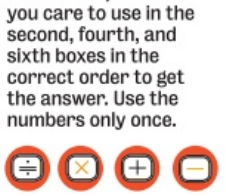
SudokuChallenge

1			7		4			3
3	9						7	8
	5		8		3		2	
2				7				4
			3		8			
7				1				9
	7		4		9		6	
6	4						9	5
9			1		6			2

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



Easy = 25
5 6 6 8

Medium = 2
3 6 6 7

Hard = 17
8 9 9 9

Hocusfocus

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Menu is shorter. 2. Pad is longer. 3. Finger is moved. 4. Curtain is not as wide. 5. Apron strap is moved. 6. Tie is missing.

Riddler

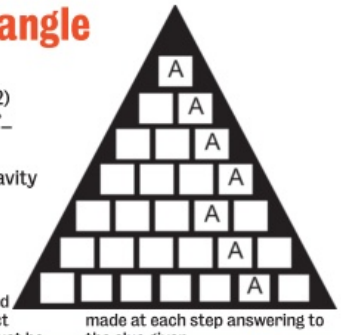
In this teaser, I will give you a list of clues and the answer, with all the letters, but the word year, missing. Your job is to figure out what to add to the word year to get the answer to the clue.

Example: Reading Glasses = *Y**EAR Answer: EYEWEAR

1. Seafood restaurant = *Y**E* *AR
2. Old sage who doesn't shave = ***Y*EAR*
3. Extra-powerful, souped up = *Y*E***AR***
4. Absolutely transparent = **Y***** **EAR
5. Place to drop off clothes = **Y **EA**R

Alpha triangle

1 Blood group
2 Scale member
3 In the style of (1,2)
4 Legendary singer_ Mangeshkar
5 Birth-related
6 Pertaining to a cavity
7 In pure form



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

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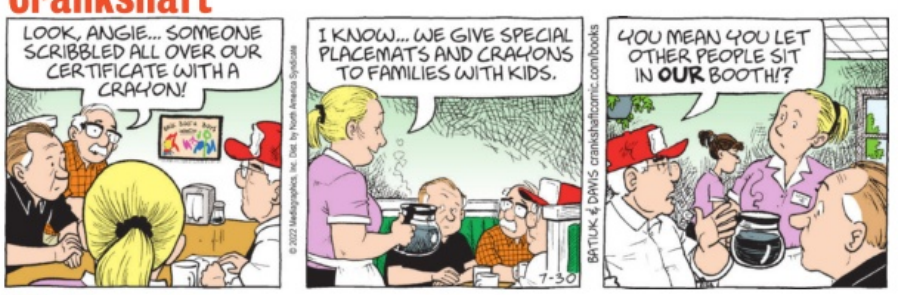

Mutts

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today may be good for your professional life. This is a time when you may be busy on the job front. You may become passionate towards your work, which may also bring mental tiredness. You may not be able to reach on time for a family or social get-together. Your spouse may help you maintain domestic harmony. Lovebirds may decide to get married.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today you are blessed by the moon, which can make you happy. You may be busy at work. You are likely to increase your network in terms of work. With the help of elders, you will implement new plans into your work for getting success in the near future. You may plan to visit some close relatives or may plan for a party with friends.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today there may be a dull feeling within you, which could make you sensitive and emotional. You may have some health-related issues too. It is advised to avoid rash driving. You are advised to keep an eye on hidden enemies and opponents. You might be a victim of conspiracy. It is advised for lovebirds to keep patience and avoid arguments on worthless topics.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today you may try to analyse yourself and figure out your mistakes. Self-analysis will boost your confidence at work. In partnerships, disputed matters may be resolved. Equations with your spouse may be improved. Students can make quick decisions in terms of their career. Singles may find a good match.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today, with the blessings of the moon, you may have happiness around you. Projects which were stopped will come back on track now. Relationships with your spouse may be stronger. You may perform well at work. Singles are likely to find a soul mate. Lovebirds may make plans to convert the relationship into marriage. You may get promotions.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today, with the help of your elders, you may become more confident. Your working efficiency may be better now. You can start new innovations in terms of business and work. You are likely to see smart gains after investments. Opponents and rivals are now under control. You may help some needy person by giving money. You may bring some creative items for your house.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today, things are mixed. You may be busy with your kids. You may expect some short trips related to their academics. You will also enjoy romantic moments. Couples may hear good news in terms of childbirth. You may plan to go for outings with your family or friends. Those in jobs may plan for higher education to increase their skill set.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today may be disappointing somehow. You may be impatient. You may not be able to focus on your goals. Investments in fixed assets are advised to be postponed for a while. It is advised to take care of your parents' health.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today you may feel energetic and courageous. You may buy some important household items. Your inner strength is likely to be helpful to complete your projects before the deadline. Disputes with your siblings are likely to be resolved. There may be some short trips related to work too. They will increase your network.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today, time is favourable for you. You may be able to control your expenditure. Your savings are likely to be increased. You may be busy at home. You may bring some artefacts for your home as well. You may plan to renovate your office. There is an atmosphere of joy and happiness in the family. Lovebirds may get married.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today, things are under control. You may feel some new energy, which may give you confidence. You are likely to find a new way to get success at work. Your parental business may reach new heights. Chronic illness is likely to be cured. You may also plan for an overseas trip.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today there may be some dull feelings in you which can make you upset and impatient. You are likely to face some health-related issues. It is advised to avoid rash driving and adventure tours. You are advised to keep an eye on hidden enemies and opponents; you might be a victim of conspiracy. You should avoid making any arguments.

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RIDDLER
1. Oyster Bar,
2. Greybeard Or Graybeard,
3. Hyperchargèd,
4. Crystal Clear,
5. Dry Cleaner

SOLVE IN 1M
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73 – 8 = 65

FAST FIVE

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MENSA PUZZLE
47; each number is the sum of the previous two numbers, ie 18 + 29 = 47

BULL'S EYE
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ALPHA TRIANGLE
A, La, A Ia,
Lata, Natal,
Antral, Natural.

GO FIGURE
Easy
5 + 6 + 6 + 8 = 25
Medium
6 + 6 – 3 – 7 = 2
Hard
8 x 9 / 9 + 9 = 17

LOOP

KAKURO

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In Brad's defence Brad Pitt won't 'own anything he didn't do', says the actor's lawyer on altercations with ex-wife Angelina Jolie. The statement comes after Jolie's legal team alleged that Pitt 'choked' their child and 'struck another in the face'

Filled with suspense

CHECKMATE (KANNADA)

3.5 RATING ★★★½★

- **DIRECTOR** Bharateesh Vasista and Santhosh Chippadi
- **ACTORS** RRanjan Hassan, Vijay Chendur, Vijeth Gowda, Pradeep Poojary, Ninasam Ashwath, Sardar Sathya, and Cockroach Sudhir.
- **CERTIFICATION** U/A
- **Duration** 144.38 minutes

This movie is ample proof that films can be made with minimum expenditure and a few actors and a few locations.

Checkmate begins with Prathyek (Ranjan Hassan) trying to explain to a police inspector (Ninasam Ashwath) and head police constable Shantha Kumar (Sardar Sathya) how three of his friends were killed mysteriously at a palatial bungalow. Prathyek requests the police to visit the house to find out how his friends were killed. At this juncture, the directors explain to the audiences how Prathyek and his friends had landed up at the palatial house in the first place.

Looking for a venue to celebrate a break up, they enter into the bungalow with the help of a security guard. Here the three men get killed. Then we are taken back to the police station, where the police inspector has decided to visit the bungalow. What happens to the policemen is what will keep you on the edge of your seat.

But the ending of this film may leaving you wanting more as the audiences are told to wait for a sequel to know details on the history of the bungalow and its owners.

As far as the performance of the actors is concerned, Ranjan as a road surveyor and a lover of a deaf-mute girl has done a good job. His experience in two Kannada movies – Paru I Love You and Rajaratha – has helped him shine among the artistes. Vijay Chendur provides good support, with emphasis on dialogue delivery. Pradeep Poojary as an incorrigible drunkard provides the much-needed comic relief for audiences. Vijeth Gowda, Ninasam Ashwath and Sardar Sathya too have played their parts well.

It is not clear why the directors introduced Cockroach Sudhir in a bar sequence. They certainly have not given him much space and he has barely a few dialogues to mouth. There are no songs in this movie but the background score by Shashank Sheshgiri is fitting. This movie not only entertains audiences but also conveys a message that drinking too much may prove detrimental.

Suspense and horror movie fans must give it a watch.

–Y Maheswara Reddy

Romantic getaway?

Just as 'Goodbye' hit the screens on Friday, the film's leading lady Rashmika Mandanna has taken off for a vacay. ETimes paparazzi spotted the actress at the airport on Friday morning. Interestingly, minutes before Rashmika arrived at the airport, her rumoured beau Vijay Deverakonda was snapped by the photos. Buzz is that Rashmika and Vijay have taken off to Maldives for a romantic vacation.

While fans dig their chemistry in films, Rashmika and Vijay have never openly spoken about their real life romance.

When Vijay made an appearance on Karan Johar's chat show, the filmmaker had asked Vijay about his rumoured romance with Rashmika. And Vijay said, "I've done two films with her at an early stage in my life. Rashmika is a darling and I am really fond of her. She is a really good friend. You share so much through films, so a bond gets created. And generally you get put in such close proximity very quickly that your bonds also develop much quicker. Normally, even to sit and look a girl in the eye it would take me a while."

Rashmika meanwhile has called the rumours 'cute' and said that Vijay is her good friend. **ETimes**

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